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#### **Abstract**

In this research it has been proposed to study the effect of filtering processess on range images and also to evaluate the performance of two different laser range mappers. Median filtering had been utilized to remove noise from the range images. First and second order derivatives are then utilized to locate the similarities and dissimilarities between the processed and the original images. Range depth information is converted into spatial coordinates, and a set of coefficients which describe three dimensional objects is generated using the algorithm developed in the second phase of this research. Range images of spheres and cylinders are used for experimental purposes. An algorithm was also developed to compare the performance of two different laser range mappers based upon the range depth information of surfaces generated by each of the mappers. Further more, an approach based on two-dimensional analytic geometry is also proposed which serves as a basis for the recognition of regular three dimensional geometric objects.

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#### 1. Introduction

The problem of 3-D object recognition has been an interesting research area for the past few years with tremendous scope of improvisations in every department of the recognition scheme. Unlike the recognition procedures developed for intensity based image information, the recent upsurge of several active and passive sensors extracting quality range information has lead to the involvement of explicit geometric shapes of the objects for the recognition schemes.

Range images share the same format of the intensity images (i.e. either of these images are two dimensional array of numbers), the only difference being that the numbers in the range images represent the distances between a sensor focal plane to points in space. The laser range finder is the most widely used sensor these days. The laser range finder makes use of a laser beam which scans the surfaces in the scene of observation from left to right and top to bottom. The distances thus obtained are measures of both depth and scanning angle. Until unless a specific algorithm demands a special form of these range images, for most of the time it is mainly the depth information which is utilized for the recognition process.

The range data obtained from a laser radar vision system is chiefly affected with two types of problems. The first called the Doppler shift, erupts essentially due to the way a laser radar system functions. Recently new radar vision systems have come in the market with an inbuilt doppler shift corrector which removes the distortions from the range data. The second problem, which is noise in the data picture (mainly salt and pepper) is generated on account of the improper wiring circuitry of the whole system.

The process by which doppler shift is corrected for our system is discussed in [1]. In this report we will be discussing about the median filter which to a large extent helps in filtering the noisy range data.

Median filtering was first suggested by Tukey [5] and since then has been widely adopted for two-dimensional image noise smoothing. The most distinguishing property of the median filter is that it preserves monotonic step edges, i.e., it does not blur sharp edges as most of the linear filters would do.

Range data from regular objects like spheres, cylinders and cones have been considered in this research and the effect of median filtering on each of these has been studied. A scheme to evaluate range data obtained from two different laser range mappers is also discussed. As the prime objective of this research is to come up with a automatic 3-D object classifier, a new approach based upon analytic geometry has been proposed for the recognition scheme.

## 2. Theoretical Development

#### Median Filtering

Conventionally, a rectangular window of size M x N is used in two dimensional median filtering. As in our case, experiments were carried out with square windows of mask sizes 3 x 3 and 5 x 5. As according to the common belief of the existence of salt and pepper at the edges, noise in the range images experimented in this research were some what distributed uniformally throughout. Irrespective of the mask size, the range information at every pixel in the image is replaced by the median of the the pixels contained in the M x M window centered at that point. Referring to figure 1, keeping in mind that the dark pixels correspond to the object and the white pixels to the

background, specks of white pixels inside the object refers to the salt noise and the specks of black pixels in the white background refers to the pepper noise. Figure 3 is obtained as a result of a 3 x 3 mask being moved over the entire image. The picture looks as sharp as the original image though some of the noise still exists. A 5 x 5 mask completely removes all the salt and pepper noise, but the image as seen in figure 4, to some extent has a low contrast, but at the same time has become more smoother than the original image.

Once a range image is filtered using a median filter of different masks, the next concern is to study the changes which have been brought about by filtering to the original data. Evaluating curvatures is one good way of distinguishing similarities and dissimilarities among the filtered images and the original range data.

First and second order derivatives are evaluated along the x- and y-axis to check the uniformity of the original and the filtered images. The first order derivative for a pixel  $A_{i,j}$  centered at i,j is given as:

$$\frac{\partial A}{\partial x} \approx \frac{1}{2\varepsilon} [(A_{i+1,j+1} - A_{i,j+1}) + (A_{i+1,j} - A_{i,j})],$$

and

$$\frac{\partial A}{\partial y} \approx \frac{1}{2\varepsilon} [(A_{i+1,j+1} - A_{i+1,j}) + (A_{i,j+1} - A_{i,j})]$$

Similarly the second order derivatives for a pixel centered at A<sub>i,i</sub> is given as:

$$\frac{\partial^2 A}{\partial x^2} \approx \frac{1}{\varepsilon^2} [A_{i-1,j} - 2E_{i,j} + E_{i+1,j}],$$

and

$$\frac{\partial^2 A}{\partial v^2} \approx \frac{1}{\varepsilon^2} [A_{i,j-1} - 2E_{i,j} + E_{i,j+1}],$$

ε above refers to the spacing between picture cell centers.

A sign map whereupon relationship among two neighboring pixels with respect to the depth value, is also generated to make sure that the median filtering does not alter the original data to a large extent.

A second degree general quadric surface as we know is given by the relation,

$$F(x,y,z) = ax^2 + by^2 + cz^2 + 2fyz + 2gzx + 2hxy + 2px + 2qy + 2rz + d = 0$$

Using the approach formulated by Groshong and Bilbro [1,2] the ten coefficients, a, b, c, d, f, g, h, p, q, and r that uniquely describe a quadric surface are determined. Coefficients are obtained for each of the filtered images and their relationship with the coefficients evaluated for the original range data (one with the noise) are studied for each of the surfaces individually.

#### Evaluation of the performance of two different laser range mappers.

In the second phase of our research [1], an approach has been put forward for determining the performance of two different laser range mappers using a particular test object, i.e., depth maps are obtained for the same object using two different range mappers. In this report we have come up with an approach which evaluates the performance of two different range mappers based upon the depth information obtained for two different sizes of the same object, i.e., the test object had the same shape but is of different size. The object under consideration is a sphere.

#### **Theory**

Consider the general equation of the sphere which is in the form of

$$(x-x_1)^2 + (y-y_1)^2 + (z-z_1)^2 = 0 (1)$$

where  $x_1$ ,  $y_1$ , and  $z_1$  are the coordinates of the center of the sphere. Equation (1) can

also be expressed as

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 2fx + 2gf + 2hz + d = 0$$
 (2)

It is to be noted that the coefficients of  $x^2$ ,  $y^2$ , and  $z^2$  are all equal to 1.

From analytic geometry we know that  $x_1$ ,  $y_1$ , and  $z_1$  from equation (1) are related to the coefficients of x, y, and z in equation (2) with the following relations:

$$x_1 = -2f$$

$$x_2 = -2g$$

and

$$x_3 = -2h$$

Once the coefficients f, g, and h are evaluated using the algorithm formulated by Groshong and Bilbro [2], the center of the sphere, i.e.,  $x_1$ ,  $y_1$ , and  $z_1$  is evaluated using the above relationships. It is to be noted that the coefficients f, g, and h and the center of the sphere  $(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  evaluated experimentally, certainly do not denote the correct coefficients and the center respectively, since a small surface patch of the range data has been utilized to determine these coefficients.

For each set of the sphere range data generated using two different laser range mappers, the coordinates of the center of sphere is determined. A least square approach as discussed below is next utilized to comment upon the performance of each of these laser range mappers.

Let N be the total number of points (pixels) used to determine the coefficients of the sphere generated using laser system 1.

Then

D1 = 
$$\sum_{i=0}^{N} (x_i - x_1)^2 + (y_i - y_1)^2 + (z_i - z_1)^2$$

where  $x_i$ ,  $y_i$ , and  $z_i$  are the cartesian coordinates of each of the N depth points, and  $x_1$ ,  $y_1$ , and  $z_1$  refer to the center of the sphere.

Now

$$\frac{\sqrt{(D1)}}{N}$$

denotes the mean square error for the system 1.

A similar approach is carried over for the sphere data generated using system 2 and a mean square error is evaluated. The value of the mean square error determines which set of data is more closer to the data generated from a synthetic sphere.

#### Object recognition approach based on analytic geometry

Analytically three dimensional objects are a set of two dimensional curves superimposed upon each other. A sphere for example, is superimposed of circles of varying radii. Based upon the 2-D charactersistics of standard curves like circles, parabolas, ellipses, and hyperbolas, a unique scheme has been formulated to distinguish standard 3-D objects like spheres, cylinders, cones and ellipsoids.

Each object when intercepted with planes in the horizontal and vertical direction yields a set of curves which is sufficient enough to recognize each of the objects, and at the same time differentiate each from the other.

Consider the equation of a quadric surface,

$$F(x,y,z) = ax^2 + by^2 + cz^2 + 2fyz + 2gzx + 2hxy + 2px + 2qy + 2rz + d = 0$$

If this surface is intercepted with a plane parallel to the yz-axis (which means x is a constant), we get a equation of the type

$$F(x,y,z) = By^2 + Cz^2 + Fyz + Qy + Rz + D = 0$$

which is an equation of a conic. Based upon the discriminat test [4], which says,

If 
$$Ax^2 + Cy^2 + Bxy + Ex + Fy + D = 0$$

is a equation of a conic, then, based upon the sign of the discriminant,  $B^2$ -4AC, the curves are of three types.

$$B^2 - 4AC = 0.$$

implies the curve is a parabola.

$$B^2 - 4AC < 0,$$

implies the curve is an ellipse.

And finally,

$$B^2 - 4AC > 0,$$

implies the curve is a hyperbola.

## 3. Practical Implementation and Experimental Results

Two sets of range data namely, the ones generated using system A and system B is to be experimented with and the following objectives were to be achieved. Each set i.e., A and B are composed of range images of spheres and cylinders respectively.

- 1. Study the effect of median filtering of different mask sizes on each of the sets.
- 2. Come up with a method which would evaluate the performance of two different laser range mappers.

Making use of the image processing unit in the Image processing and Computer Vision lab at ODU, range images of objects like sphere and cylinder were segmented in order to separate the object from the background.

The resulting image which is referred to as the raw image is then median filtered with mask sizes, (a)  $3 \times 3$ , (b)  $5 \times 5$ , and (c)  $7 \times 7$ .

Consider figure 1 which is the actual range image of a sphere (belonging to set A) with its background. Figure 2 is the image after segmentation. The effect of median filtering on figure 2 can be observed in figure 3 (3 x 3 mask), figure 4 (5 x 5 mask) and figure 5 (7 x 7 mask).

The curvature sign map which was discussed in the earlier section, is then used to study the effect of median filtering on the original image shown in figure 2. Determining the first and second derivative with respect to x- and y-axis and comparison of each of these maps will determine whether or not the median filtering has altered the original range image to any extent. Figures 6(a), 6(b), 6(c), and 6(d) are the first and second derivative with respect to x- and y-axis respectively for figure 2. Similarly figures 7(a), 7(b), 7(c), 7(d) and figures 8(a), 8(b), 8(c), 8(d) and figures 9(a), 9(b), 9(c), 9(d) are the first and second derivatives for the figures 3, 4, 5 respectively.

In all of these figures, the sign "+" is assigned to a particular pixel position if the magnitude of the derivative (first or second) of that pixel is greater than the magnitude of the derivative (first or second) of the pixel to its right. Similarly the sign "-" is assigned to a particular pixel position if the magnitude of the derivative (first or second) is lesser than the magnitude of the derivative (first or second) of the pixel to its right. In the case when the magnitudes of the derivatives (first and second) of either pixels is the same, the sign " " (blank) is assigned.

Sign maps which were mentioned before are also generated to check the integrity of the image data before and after the filtering process. Depending upon the

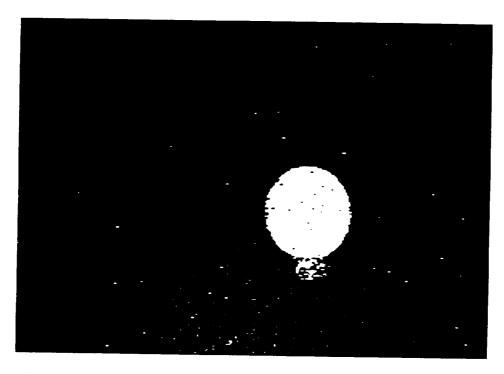


Figure 1. Original range image of the sphere with its background.

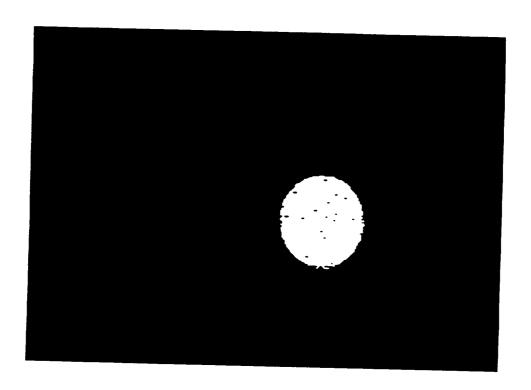


Figure 2. Segmented range image of the sphere without its background.

Figure 3. 3 x 3 filtered range image of the sphere.

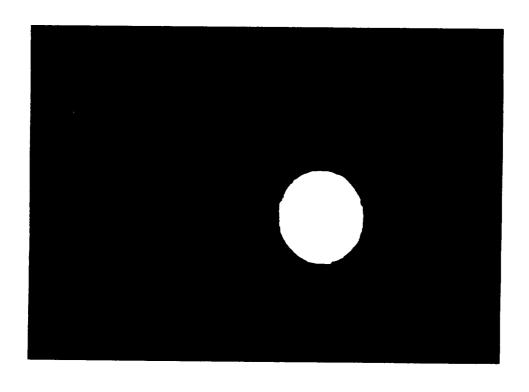


Figure 4. 5 x 5 filtered range image of the sphere.

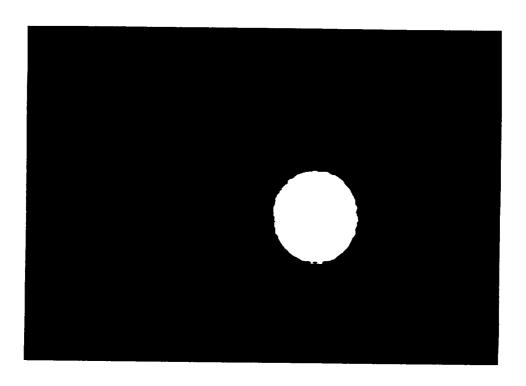


Figure 5. 7 x 7 filtered range image of the sphere.

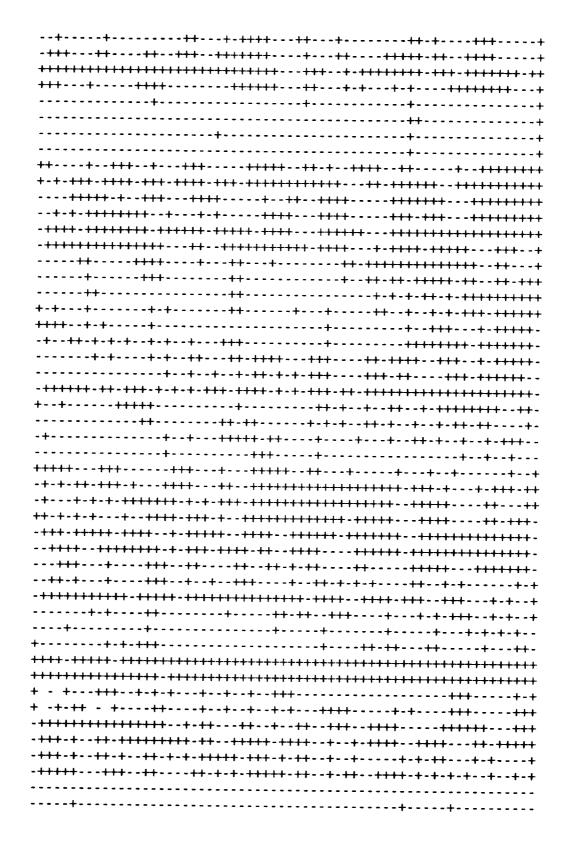


Figure 6(a). First derivative w.r.t x-axis of the original sphere.

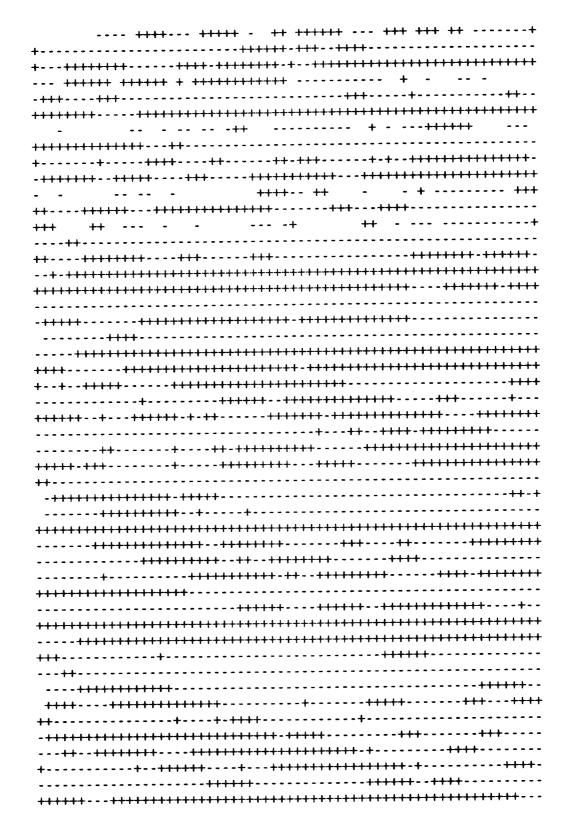


Figure 6(b). First derivative w.r.t y-axis of the original sphere.

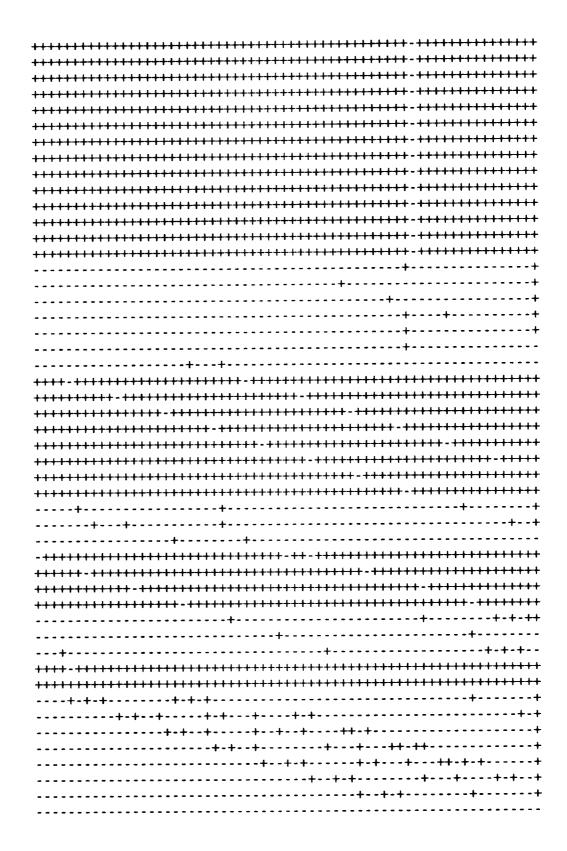


Figure 6(c). Second derivative w.r.t x-axis of the original cylinder.

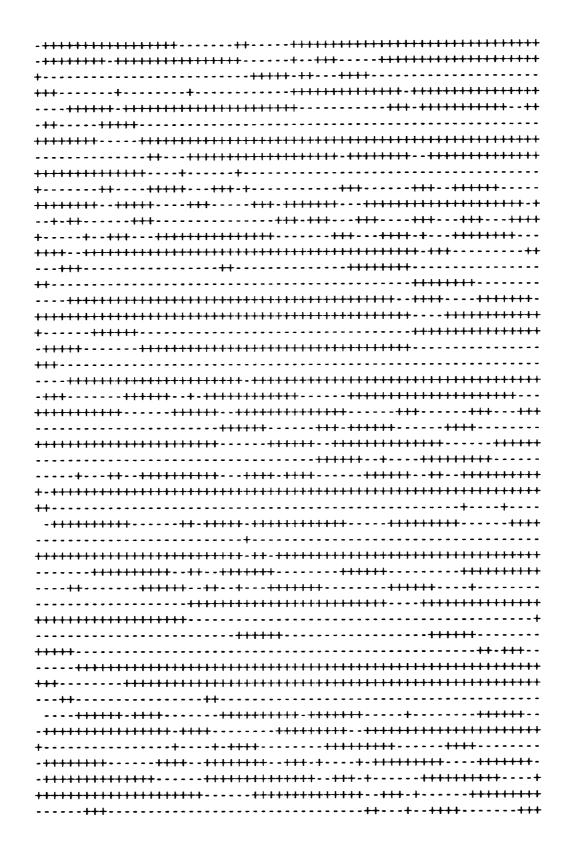


Figure 6(d). Second derivative w.r.t y-axis of the original sphere.

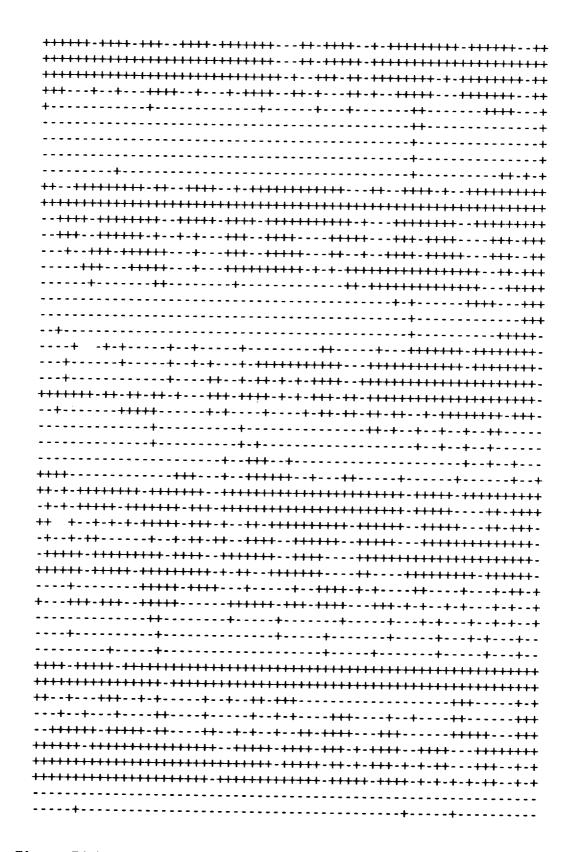


Figure 7(a). First derivative w.r.t x-axis of the sphere filtered with a mask size of  $3 \times 3$ .

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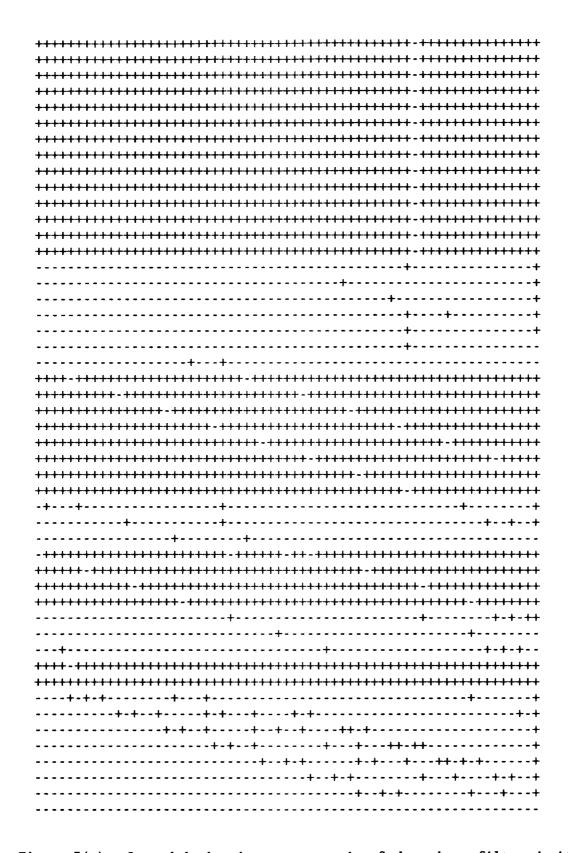


Figure 7(c). Second derivative w.r.t x-axis of the sphere filtered with a mask size of 3 X 3.

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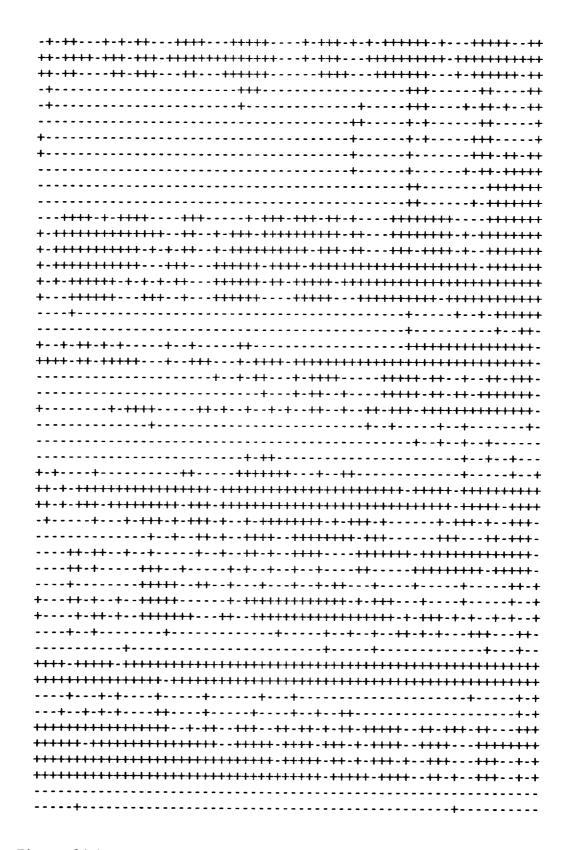


Figure 8(a). First derivative w.r.t x-axis of the sphere filtered with a mask size of 5 X 5.

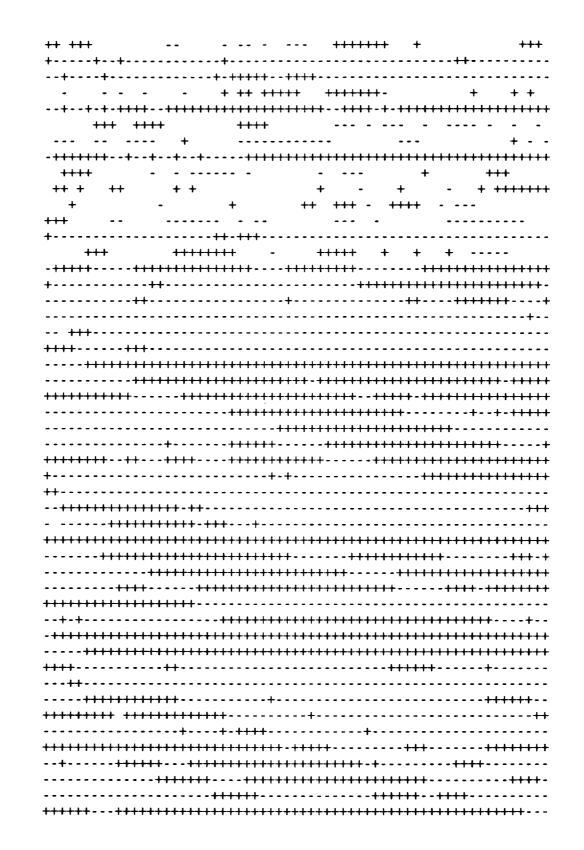


Figure 8(b). First derivative w.r.t y-axis of the sphere filtered with a mask size of  $5 \times 5$ .

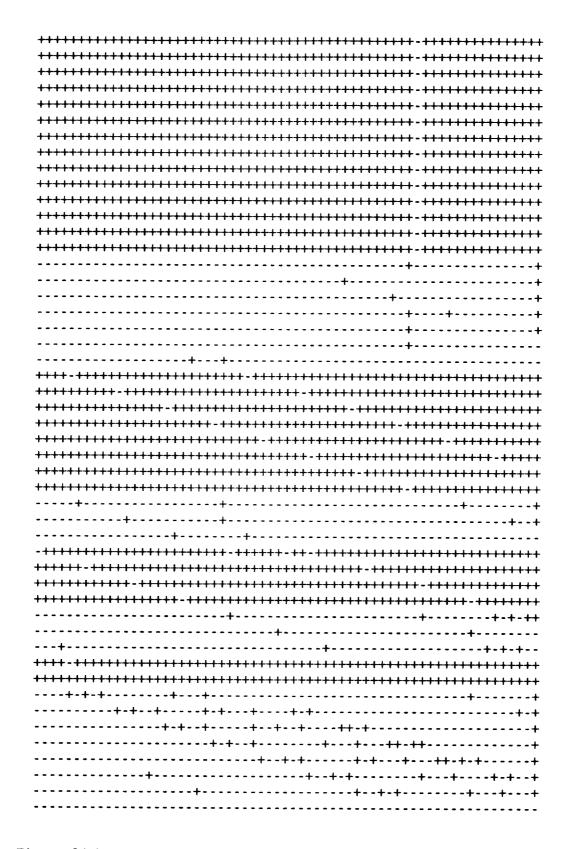


Figure 8(c). Second derivative w.r.t x-axis of the sphere filtered with a mask size of 5 X 5.

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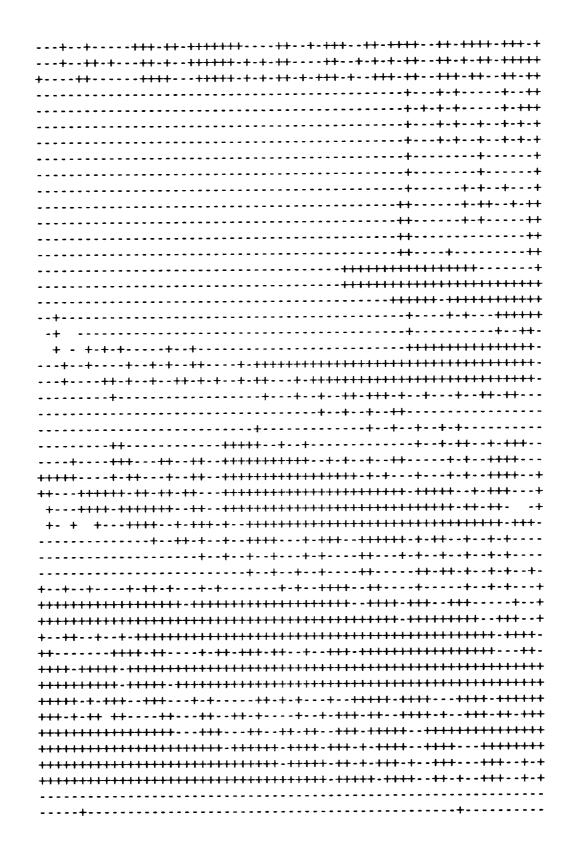


Figure 9(a). First derivative w.r.t x-axis of a sphere filtered with a mask size of  $7 \times 7$ .

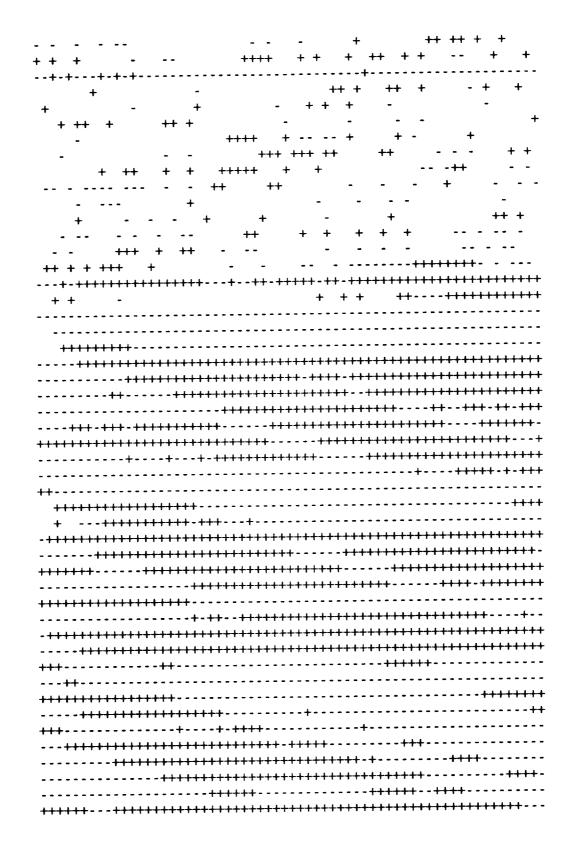


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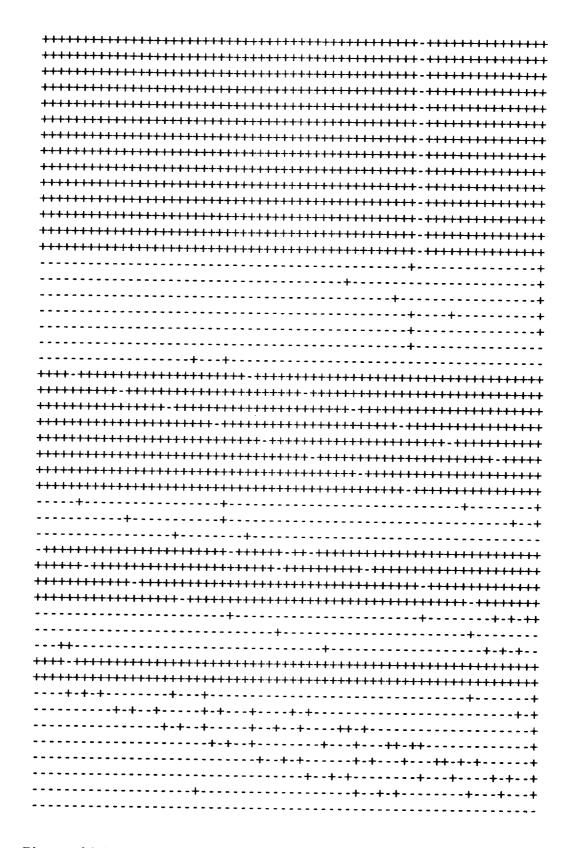


Figure 9(c). Second derivative w.r.t x-axis of the sphere filtered with a mask size of  $7 \times 7$ .

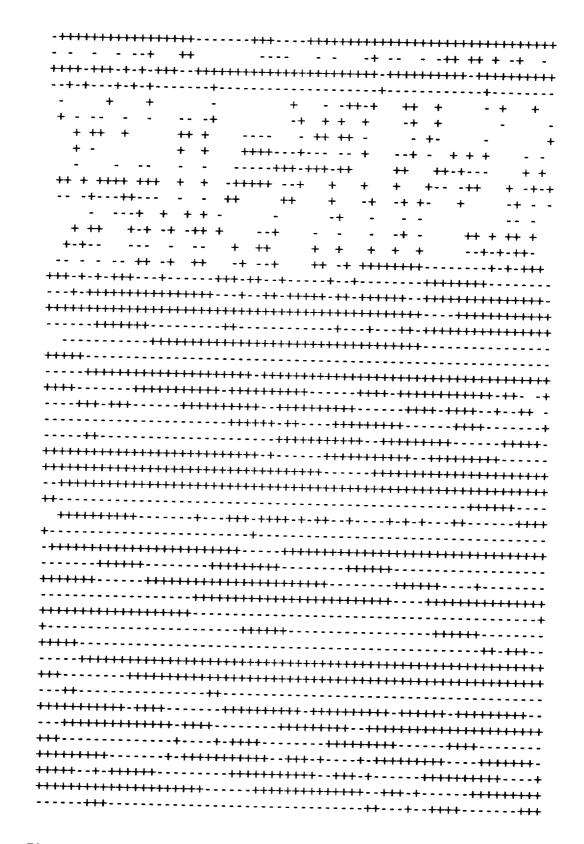


Figure 9(d). Second derivative w.r.t y-axis of the sphere filtered with a mask size of 7 x 7.

magnitude of the depth value of a pixel and its adjacent neighbor, a "+" or a "-" sign is assigned to the pixel location in the sign map. Figure 10 is the sign map generated for the original raw image data of the sphere. Similarly figures 11, 12, and 13 are the sign maps for the 3  $\times$  3, the 5  $\times$  5, and the 7  $\times$  7 filtered images of the sphere. A careful observation of all these sign maps does suggest that only a small variation has been brought about due to the filtering processess.

Since the main objective of the median filtering is to remove the salt and pepper noise in the range images and thus present a noise free range image for the evaluation of the object coefficients [1], it is seen from figures 3, 4, and 5 that a fine job has been done by all of these filters. However, looking at the curvatures sign maps it is observed that, as the mask size of the filter increases, the curvature maps starts looking more and more different than the original. The 3 x 3 filtered image being the most closest to the original raw image can be utilized for further processing and for describing the surface features.

Once the data files are obtained for each of the images which have been filtered, the depth information of each of these files is converted into rectangular coordinate system [1]. These cartesian coordinate information is then utilized for determining the coefficients which describe each of the objects.

Listed in table 1 are the coefficients obtained for the original range image, the 3 x 3 filtered image, the 5 x 5 filtered image and finally the 7 x 7 filtered image of a sphere. At a glance none of these coefficient sets for certain describe a real sphere. The following procedure is adopted to determine which particular set of coefficients best describes the original image data of the object.

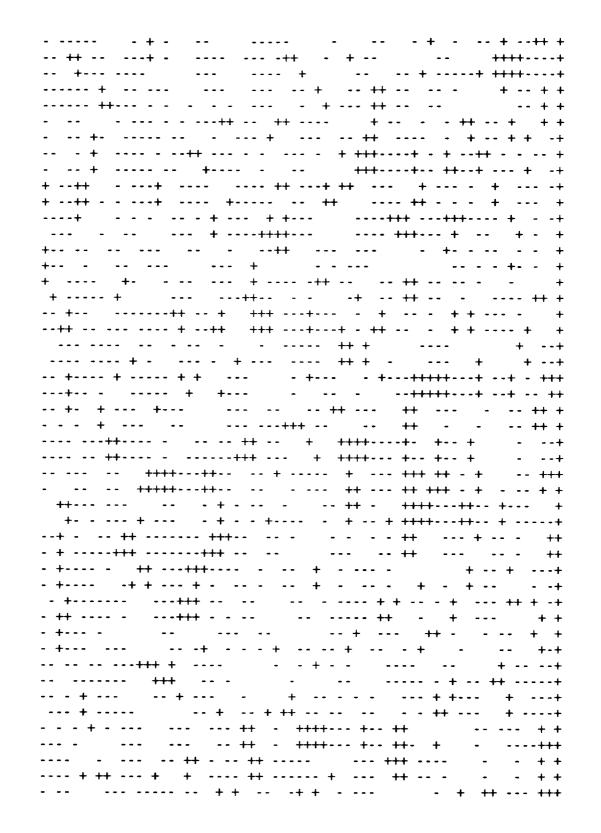


Figure 10. Sign map generated for the original raw image of the sphere taking into consideration the magnitude of the depth value at a particular pixel and its neighboring pixel.

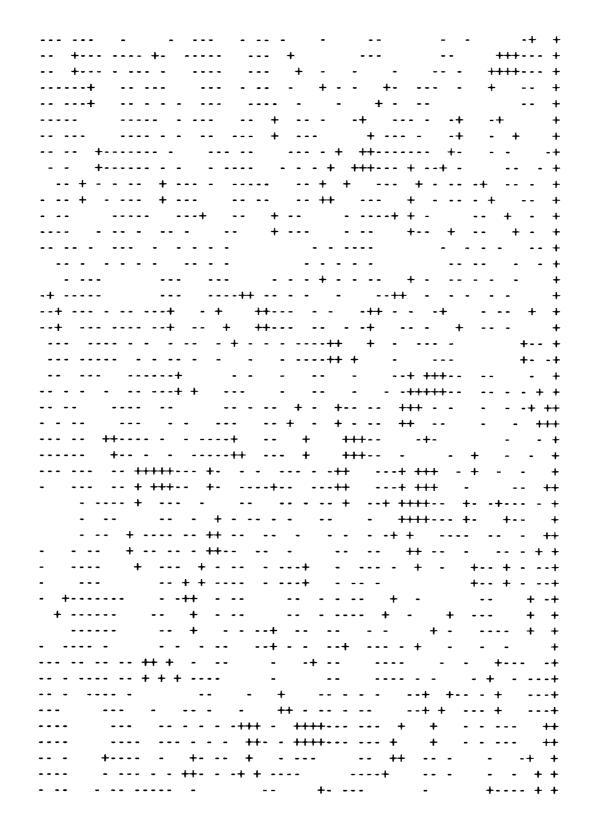


Figure 11. Sign map generated for the  $3 \times 3$  filtered image of the sphere taking into consideration the magnitude of the depth value at a particular pixel and its neighboring pixel.

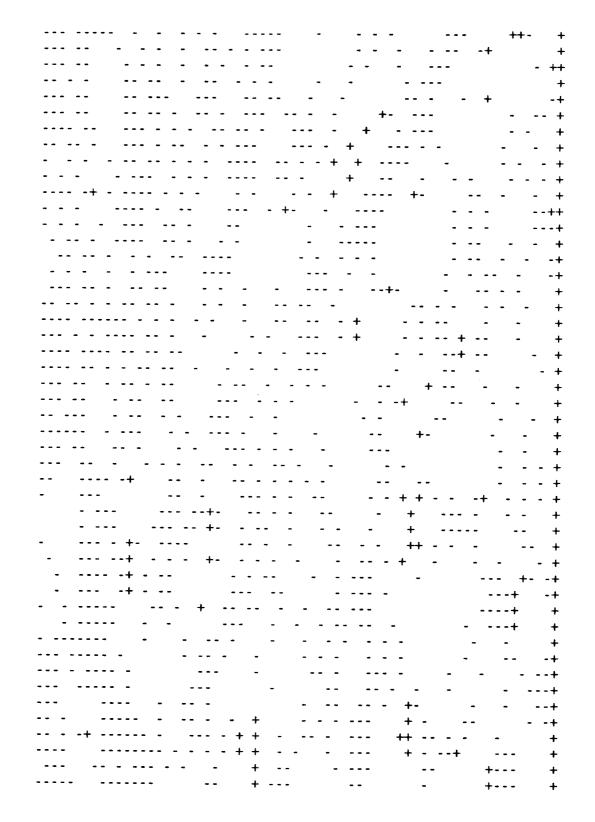


Figure 12. Sign map generated for the  $5 \times 5$  filtered image of the sphere taking into consideration the magnitude of the depth value at a particular pixel and its neighboring pixel.

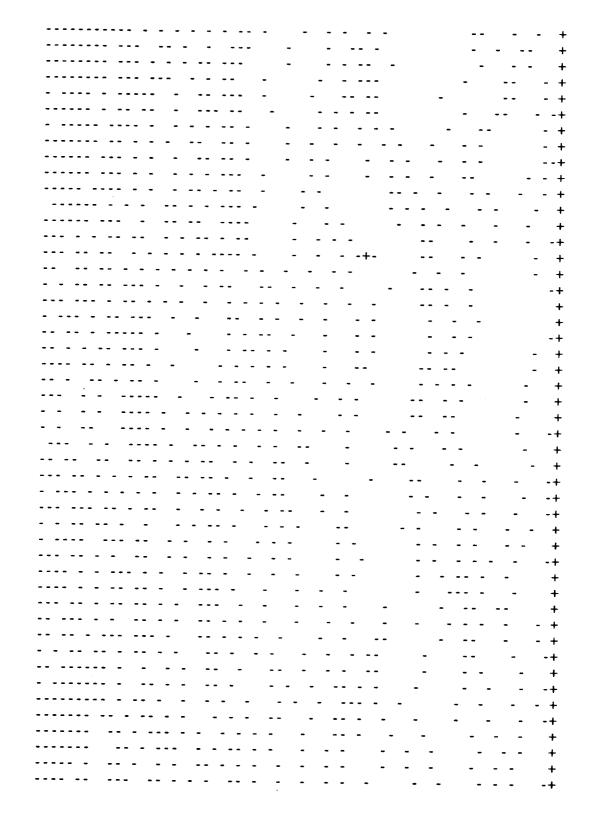


Figure 13. Sign map generated for the  $7 \times 7$  filtered image of the sphere taking into consideration the magnitude of the depth value at a particular pixel and its neighboring pixel.

TABLE 1

Comparison of Coefficients evaluated for the original and the processed images					
Coefficient	Raw Image	3 x 3 filtered image	5 x 5 filtered image	7 x 7 filtered image	
A, Coeff. of $x^2$	0.3026	0.2211	-0.4860	0.4242	
B, Coeff. of $y^2$	0.2734	0.2802	-0.3291	0.2178	
C, Coeff. of $z^2$	0.6545	0.7747	-0.3338	0.5845	
E, Coeff. of yz	0.5310	-0.5038	0.4834	-0.3417	
F, Coeff. of xz	0.6357	-0.4860	0.7194	-0.7452	
G, Coeff. of xy	0.3524	0.2339	-0.5801	0.4353	
P, Coeff. of x	0.30365	0.19995	-0.3159	0.3127	
Q, Coeff. of y	0.4199	0.4401	-0.3524	0.1996	
R, Coeff. of z	-0.8172	-1.0163	0.3191	-0.5858	
D, Constant	0.2847	0.3717	-0.0973	0.1516	

A small surface patch of the object is chosen. In the quadratic form

$$F(x,y,z) = ax^2 + by^2 + cz^2 + 2fyz + 2gzx + 2hxy + 2px + 2qy + 2rz + d = 0$$

the coefficients a, b, c, d, f, g, h, p, q, and r are inserted and for each (x,y,z) of the object patch the error is evaluated for each set of coefficients. A plot is thus generated in which every point of the surface patch is replaced with the numerals 1, 3, 5, and 7 signifying that the minimum error was obtained for that particular set of coefficient. Numeral 1 refers to the situation when the original set of coefficients fits best, and similarly numerals 3, 5, and 7 are used depending whether the 3 x 3 or the 5 x 5 or the 7 x 7 set of coefficients give the least error. Figure 14 is one such plot obtained using the coefficients listed in table 1 of the sphere.

The next objective to achieve is that of evaluating the performance of two different laser range mappers. As mentioned before in section 2, the sets A and B consist of two different sets of range images abstracted from two different laser range mappers. For evaluating the performance, the range information of two different spheres obtained from either of these mappers is utilized. Let's call the range image of the sphere using system A as sphere1. Similarly let's call the range image of the sphere obtained using system B as sphere2. A surface patch of sphere1 consisting of 8086 points was selected for experimentation purposes. Similarly the surface patch of sphere2 had 726 points. Using the approach discussed in section 2 whereby the mean square error is evaluated by trying to a fit a set of data to a real sphere, the mean square errors for sphere1 and sphere2 is obtained.

Mean square errors are obtained for the raw image, and the 3 x 3 image for sphere1 and sphere2. The mean square error for the sphere1 belonging to set A was found to be 0.010191 units and 0.009921 units (raw image and 3 x 3 filtered image

Figure 14. Best fit plot for the sphere belonging to set A. Numerals "1, 3, and 5" denote the original sphere, 3 x 3 filtered image, and 5 x 5 filtered image respectively.

respectively). The mean square errors for sphere2 belonging to set B was found to be .019095 units and 0.018686 units (raw and 3 x 3 filtered images respectively).

The curvature maps for sphere and cylinder belonging to the sets A and B are shown in appendix A. Appendix B lists out the ten coefficients obtained for all the different images of sets A and B. Files with extension \*.cod serve as the input for the program evaluating the coefficients, and the files with extension \*.coe consists of the output data, which are the needed necessary coefficients. Appendix C consists of a detailed listing of all the programs utilized.

## 4. CONCLUSIONS

In this research, range images of objects obtained using laser range mappers are utilized to recognize three dimensional regular objects. Due to inherent problems in the laser range mappers, the depth information obtained by itself cannot be utilized to make a accurate description of the object. The approach involving the evaluations of the ten coefficients which best describe an object is utilized on filtered images of the original objects. Inspite of using noise free images, it is seen that the coefficients obtained for each object does not infer the shape of any of the objects.

A new approach which involves 2-D analytical geometry has been discussed briefly which appears very promising for the recognition of 3-D objects. The coefficients obtained earlier do come in handy while using a discriminant test for describing each of the objects with 2-D curves. In the future research the above new theory formulated will be utilized for making a accurate description of each of the regular 3-D objects.

Calculations evaluating the performance of the two different laser range mappers

quite distinctly showed that laser range mapper A performs better than laser range mapper B.

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## APPENDIX A

Curvature sign maps of the following range images is included in this appendix.

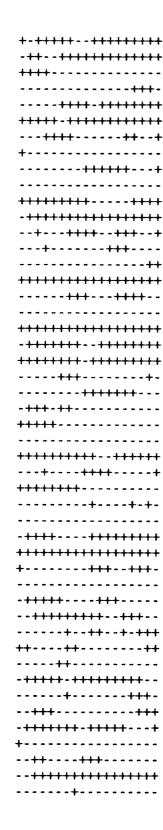
- 1. Original cylinder image belonging to set A.
- 2. 3 x 3 filtered image of the cylinder belonging to set A.
- 3. 5 x 5 filtered image of the cylinder belonging to set A.
- 4. 7 x 7 filtered image of the cylinder belonging to set A.
- 5. Original sphere image belonging to set B.
- 6. 3 x 3 filtered image of the sphere belonging to set B.
- 7. 5 x 5 filtered image of the sphere belonging to set B.
- 8. Original cylinder image belonging to set B.
- 9. 3 x 3 filtered image of the cylinder belonging to set B.
- 10. 5 x 5 filtered image of the cylinder belonging to set B.

For each of the above images the curvature sign maps consists of the first and second derivatives with respect to the x- and y-axis. Sets A and B signify to the images mapped by two different laser range mappers.

Images belonging to set A

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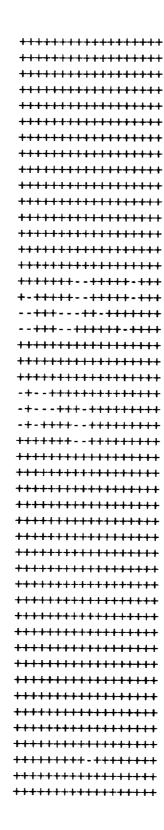
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Images belonging to set B

First derivative w.r.t x-axis of the original sphere.

First derivative w.r.t y-axis of the original sphere.

Second derivative w.r.t x-axis of the original sphere.

Second derivative w.r.t y-axis of the original sphere.

First derivative w.r.t the x-axis of the sphere filtered with a mask size of  $3\ X\ 3$ .

First derivative w.r.t y-axis of the sphere filtered with a mask size of 3  $\times$  3.

Second derivative w.r.t-x axis of the sphere filtered with a mask size of 3  $\times$  3.

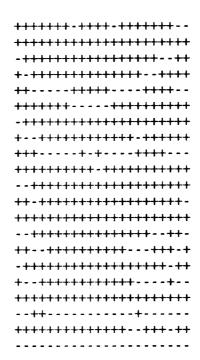
Second derivative w.r.t y-axis of the sphere filtered with a mask size of 3  $\times$  3.

First derivative w.r.t x-axis of the sphere filtered with a mask size of 5  $\times$  5.

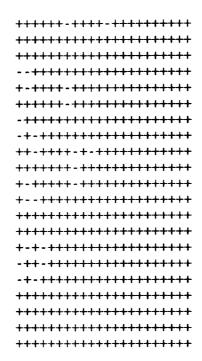
First derivative w.r.t y-axis of the sphere filtered with a mask size of 5  $\rm X$  5.

Second derivative w.r.t x-axis of the sphere filtered with a mask size of 5  $\times$  5.

Second derivative w.r.t y-axis of the sphere filtered with a mask size of 5  $\rm X$  5.



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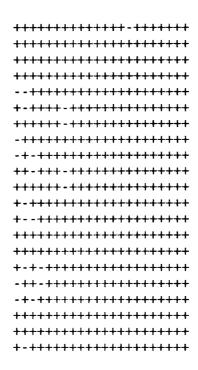


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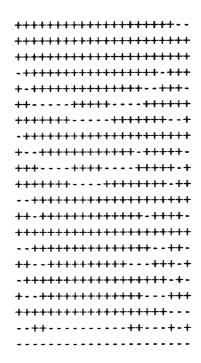
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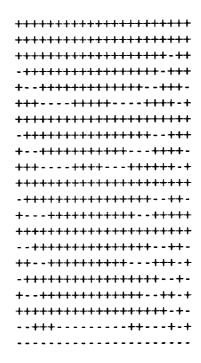
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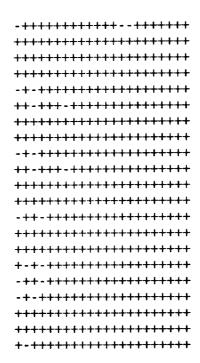
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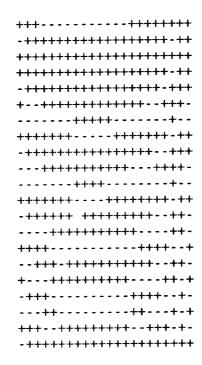
First derivative w.r.t y-axis of the cylinder filtered with a mask size of 5 X 5.



First derivative w.r.t x-axis of the cylinder filtered with a mask size of 5  $\times$  5.

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Second derivative w.r.t x-axis of the cylinder filtered with a mask size of 5  $\times$  5.



Second derivative w.r.t y-axis of the cylinder filtered with a mask size of  $5\ X\ 5$ .

## APPENDIX B

This appendix consists of the ten coefficients generated for the original and processed range images of a sphere and cylinder mapped using two different laser range mappers. Files with extension \*.cod consists of range data converted into cartesian coordinates, and the files with extension \*.coe consists of the coefficients generated for each of the images.

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                    is 0.3524517
The coeff of
             ху
                    is 0.3036514
The coeff of
              X
                    is 0.4199182
The coeff of
              y
                    is -0.8172019
The coeff of
              Z
                    is 0.2847408
              d
The constant
```

Coefficients of the original sphere image belonging to group A.

```
The input file was "spraw31.cod
The output file is "spraw31.coe
The coeff of x-squared is 0.2211579
The coeff of y-squared is 0.2802473
The coeff of z-squared is 0.7747064
                    is -0.5038247
The coeff of yz
                    is -0.4860164
The coeff of
             ZX
                    is 0.2339016
The coeff of
             хy
                    is 0.1995363
The coeff of
              X
                    is 0.4401489
The coeff of
              y
                    is -1.016356
The coeff of
              Z
                     is 0.3717703
The constant
```

Coefficients of the 3 x 3 filtered image of the sphere belonging to group A.

```
The input file was "spraw51.COD
The output file is "spraw51.COE
The coeff of x-squared is -0.4860452
The coeff of y-squared is -0.3291118
The coeff of z-squared is -0.3338964
The coeff of yz
                    is 0.4834592
The coeff of
                    is 0.7194569
             ZX
The coeff of
                    is -0.5801437
             хy
The coeff of
                    is -0.3159497
              X
The coeff of
                    is -0.3524498
              y
The coeff of
                    is 0.3191445
                    is -9.7348504E-02
The constant
             d
```

Coefficients of the 5 x 5 filtered image of the sphere belonging to group A.

```
The input file was "sprawme1.cod
The output file is "sprawme1.coe
The coeff of x-squared is 0.4242373
The coeff of y-squared is 0.2178874
The coeff of z-squared is 0.5845248
The coeff of yz
                    is -0.3417171
The coeff of zx
                    is -0.7452961
The coeff of xy
                    is 0.4353395
The coeff of
                    is 0.3127908
                    is 0.1996729
The coeff of
              y
The coeff of
              Z
                    is -0.5858592
               d
The constant
                     is 0.1516084
```

Coefficients of the 7 x 7 filtered image of the sphere belonging to group A.

```
The input file was "cyraw1.cod
The output file is "cyraw1.coe
The coeff of x-squared is 0.1555596
The coeff of y-squared is 0.2353804
The coeff of z-squared is 0.8288453
The coeff of yz
                    is -0.6818960
The coeff of
                    is 3.7034817E-02
             ZX
The coeff of
                    is 2.1725880E-02
             хy
The coeff of
                    is -0.2105054
              X
The coeff of
             y
                    is 0.5823037
The coeff of
                    is -1.317142
              Z
The constant d
                    is 0.5681907
```

Coefficients of the original cylinder belonging to group A.

```
The input file was "cyraw31.cod
The output file is "cyraw31.coe
The coeff of x-squared is 0.2676638
The coeff of y-squared is 0.1930158
The coeff of z-squared is
                         0.7483451
The coeff of yz
                    is -0.5485628
The coeff of
              ZX
                    is 0.5481051
The coeff of
              хy
                    is -0.2466192
The coeff of
              X
                    is -0.7515414
The coeff of
                    is 0.5662742
              y
The coeff of
              Z
                    is -1.360964
The constant
               d
                     is 0.6880789
```

Coefficients of the 3 x 3 filtered image of the cylinder belonging to group A.

```
The input file was "cyraw51.cod
The output file is "cyraw51.coe
The coeff of x-squared is 5.4338872E-02
The coeff of y-squared is 9.9206299E-02
The coeff of z-squared is 0.2060992
The coeff of yz
                    is -0.1109364
The coeff of
                    is
                        1.265334
             ZX
The coeff of xy
                    is -0.5254330
The coeff of
             X
                    is -1.185869
The coeff of
                   is 0.3039300
              y
The coeff of
                    is -0.7311586
              Z
The constant d
                    is 0.5089003
```

Coefficients of the 5 x 5 filtered image of the cylinder belonging to group A.

```
The input file was "cyrawme1.cod
The output file is "cyrawme1.coe
The coeff of x-squared is 0.1532317
The coeff of y-squared is -9.9520542E-02
The coeff of z-squared is -0.4889523
The coeff of yz
                    is 0.4767834
The coeff of zx
                    is
                        1.008621
The coeff of xy
                    is -0.4587431
The coeff of
                    is -1.006533
             X
The coeff of
              y
                    is -0.2328676
The coeff of
                    is 0.4734453
              Z
The constant
                    is -1.3768099E-02
             d
```

Coefficients of the 7 x 7 filtered image of the cylinder belonging to group A.

The input file was "R3SPHERE.COD The output file is "R3SPHERE.COE The coeff of x-squared is 0.1027336 The coeff of y-squared is 3.8939383E-02 The coeff of z-squared is 0.5696317 The coeff of yz is 0.6472183 is -0.9516000 The coeff of ZX The coeff of xy is -4.9645115E-02 The coeff of X is 0.8889613 is -0.6169493 The coeff of y The coeff of Z is -1.387174 is 0.7926015 The constant d

Coefficients of the original sphere belonging to group B.

The input file was "R3SPHER3.COD The output file is "R3SPHER3.COE The coeff of x-squared is -4.9067583E-02 The coeff of y-squared is 0.4412566 The coeff of z-squared is 0.6636547 The coeff of yz is -1.2313786E-02 The coeff of zx is -0.5175490 The coeff of xy is -0.6759338 The coeff of x is 0.6078625 The coeff of y is -0.3856263 The coeff of is -1.276605 Z The constant d is 0.6796699

Coefficients of the 3 x 3 filtered image of the sphere belonging to group B.

The input file was "R3SPHER5.COD The output file is "R3SPHER5.COE The coeff of x-squared is -5.7173960E-02 The coeff of y-squared is -0.1170360 The coeff of z-squared is 0.5475225 The coeff of yz is 0.5604561 The coeff of zx 1.006907 is The coeff of xy is 0.1962991 The coeff of is -1.006644 X The coeff of is -0.3863406 y The coeff of is -0.9040802 Z The constant d is 0.3384019

Coefficients of the  $5 \times 5$  filtered image of the sphere belonging to group B.

```
The input file was "R6CYLIN.COD
The output file is "R6CYLIN.COE
The coeff of x-squared is 0.9754460
The coeff of y-squared is 2.5132844E-02
The coeff of z-squared is 3.5924029E-02
The coeff of yz
                    is -6.8559073E-02
The coeff of
             ZX
                   is 3.1578626E-02
The coeff of xy
                   is 0.2957501
The coeff of
                   is 0.2924450
              X
The coeff of
                   is 0.1052131
              y
The coeff of
                   is -1.9418295E-02
              Z
The constant
             d
                    is 1.5252778E-02
```

Coefficients of the original cylinder belonging to group B.

```
The input file was "R6CYLIN3.COD
The output file is "R6CYLIN3.COE
The coeff of x-squared is -4.7388867E-02
The coeff of y-squared is -0.3104874
The coeff of z-squared is -0.3682815
The coeff of yz
                        1.192302
                   is
                   is 0.1264399
The coeff of
             ZX
                   is -0.3063811
The coeff of xy
The coeff of
             X
                   is -2.7492255E-02
The coeff of
                   is -0.9607195
              y
The coeff of
                   is 0.3220469
              Z
                   is 4.0601194E-03
The constant
              d
```

Coefficients of the 3 x 3 cylinder image belonging to group B.

```
The input file was "R6CYLIN5.COD
The output file is "R6CYLIN5.COE
The coeff of x-squared is 1.7619731E-02
The coeff of y-squared is 0.7016529
The coeff of z-squared is -0.2045088
The coeff of yz
                    is -0.3910733
The coeff of
             ZX
                    is -0.7922655
The coeff of
             xy
                    is -0.3879120
The coeff of
                    is 0.8651381
              X
The coeff of
                    is -0.1430389
              y
The coeff of
                       0.2737453
              Z
                    is
               d
The constant
                    is
                        1.2079749E-02
```

Coefficients of the 5 x 5 filtered image of the cylinder belonging to group B.

## APPENDIX C

This appendix consists of the listings of the following programs.

- 1. Program which performs the  $3 \times 3$  and  $5 \times 5$  median filtering.
- 2. Program that evaluates the first and second derivative w.r.t to x- and y-axis of the data files and then transforms it into a sign map.
- 3. Program that generates the sign map for each of the range images based upon the magnitude of range value of neighboring pixels. Sign maps for the cylinder of set A and the sphere and cylinder of set B are included at the end of the listing.
- 4. Program that generates a numeral map based upon the evaluation of the least square errors from the generated coefficients.
- 5. Program that generates the ten coefficients which describes each of the range images.

```
THIS PROGRAM PERFORMS THE MEDIAN FILTERING ON THE
C**** ORIGINAL RANGE IMAGE FILES. BY CHANGING THE
C**** PARAMETER "M". A 3x3 OR A 5x5 MASK SIZE CAN BE UTILIZED
C**** FOR FILTERING.
      PARAMETER (N=512)
      INTEGER*2 A(N,N),MED(N,N)
      CHARACTER*12
                         INFILE, OUTFILE
C
\mathbf{C}
      MAIN PROGRAM
C
      WRITE(*,123)
123
      FORMAT(5X,'INPUT FILE NAME: INFILE')
      READ(*,*)INFILE
      WRITE(*,223)
223
      FORMAT(5X,'OUTPUT FILENAME: OUTFILE')
      READ(*,*)OUTFILE
      OPEN (UNIT=1,FILE=INFILE,RECL=2048,STATUS='OLD')
      READ (1,9)((A(I,J),J=1,N),I=1,N)
9
      FORMAT(512I4)
      M=3
      CLOSE(1,DISPOSE = 'SAVE')
      CALL MEDFLT(A, MED, N, M)
      OPEN (UNIT=2,FILE=OUTFILE,RECL=2048,STATUS='NEW')
      WRITE (2,11)((MED(I,J),J=1,N),I=1,N)
11
      FORMAT(512I4)
      CLOSE(2,DISPOSE='SAVE')
      STOP
      END
CC
CC
      SUBROUTINE MEDIAN FILTER
CC
      SUBROUTINE MEDFLT(A,MED,N,M)
      INTEGER*2 A(N,N),MED(N,N),SORT(50)
      LOGICAL NEXCHAN
C
C
C
      MM = M^{**} 2
      X = (M+1)/2
      Y = X-1
      M1 = (MM + 1)/2
      DO 7 I=X,(N-Y)
      DO 9 J=X,(N-Y)
        K1=0
      DO 11 K = (I-Y), (I+Y)
```

C\*\*\*\* PROGRAM MEDIAN FILTERING

```
DO 13 L=(J-Y),(J+Y)
           K1 = K1 + 1
           SORT(K1) = A(K,L)
13
      CONTINUE
11
      CONTINUE
      DO 15 I1 = 1, (MM-1)
      DO 17 K1 = 1, (MM-I1)
         IF (SORT(K1).GT.SORT(K1+1)) THEN
         TEMP = SORT(K1)
         SORT(K1) = SORT(K1+1)
         SORT(K1+1) = TEMP
         END IF
17
      CONTINUE
15
      CONTINUE
      MED(I,J) = SORT(M1)
9
      CONTINUE
7
      CONTINUE
      DO 19 I=1,Y
      DO 21 J = 1,N
      MED(I,J) = A(I,J)
      MED(N+1-I,J) = A(N+1-I,J)
      MED(J,N+1-I) = A(J,N+1-I)
      MED(J,I) = A(J,I)
21
      CONTINUE
19
      CONTINUE
      RETURN
      END
```

```
C***** THIS PROGRAM DETERMINES THE DERIVATIVES
C***** ALONG THE X-AXIS AND THE Y-AXIS. A GROUP OF FILES CAN BE
C***** COMAPARED TO SEE WHETHER A PARTICULAR LOCATION HAS THE SAME
C***** CURVATURE OR NOT.
      INTEGER*2
                   I1,J1,T1,P1,K,L,I,J
                   DX1,DX2,DX3,DY1,DY2,DY3
      REAL
      REAL
                   DX11,DX22,DX33,DY11,DY22,DY33
      REAL
                   D(70,350),E(70,350),A(1000,3),AA(60,50)
      REAL
                   D1(70,350),E1(70,350)
      INTEGER*2
                          STREC, ENDREC
      CHARACTER*12
                          INFILE1, INFILE2, INFILE3, POINT
      CHARACTER*2
                          GRAPH1(70,100),GRAPH2(70,100),GRAPH3(70,100)
      CHARACTER*2
                          GRAPH4(70,100)
      WRITE(*,20)
20
      FORMAT(5X,'INPUT FILE NAME: INFILE1')
      READ(*,*)INFILE1
      OPEN(UNIT=1, FILE=INFILE1, STATUS='UNKNOWN')
      WRITE(*,25)
25
      FORMAT(5X,'INPUT TOTAL # OF PTS: N1')
      READ(*,*)N1
      DO 100 I=1,N1
      READ(1,*)(A(I,J),J=1,3)
      CONTINUE
100
      DO 811 K=1.51
      DO 815 L=1,19
      AA(K,L) = A(L+(19*(K-1)),3)
815
      CONTINUE
811
      CONTINUE
300
      FORMAT(512I4)
C**
      TO FIND THE DERIVATIVE ALONG X-AXIS
C1111 WRITE(*,908)
C908
      FORMAT('INPUT THE STARTING RECORD NUMBER: STREC')
      READ(*,*)STREC
C
      WRITE(*,9008)
C
C9008 FORMAT('INPUT THE ENDING RECORD NUMBER: ENDREC')
C
      READ(*,*)ENDREC
      OPEN(UNIT=2,FILE='FILE1.X',STATUS='UNKNOWN')
      OPEN(UNIT=3,FILE='FILE1.Y',STATUS='UNKNOWN')
      OPEN(UNIT = 4, FILE = 'FILE1.XX', STATUS = 'UNKNOWN')
      OPEN(UNIT=8,FILE='FILE1.YY',STATUS='UNKNOWN')
11178 DO 1104 I1=1,51
      DO 1204 J1=1.19
      D(I1,J1) = 0.5*((AA(I1,J1+1)-AA(I1,J1)) + (AA(I1+1,J1+1)-AA(I1+1,J1)))
```

C\*\*\*\*\* PROGRAM DERIVATIVES

```
D1(I1,J1) = (AA(I1,J1-1)-2*(AA(I1,J1))+AA(I1,J1+1))
       E1(I1,J1) = (AA(I1+1,J1)-2*(AA(I1,J1))+AA(I1-1,J1))
       E(II,J1) = 0.5*((AA(II,J1+1)-AA(II,J1+1))+(AA(II,J1)-AA(II+1,J1)))
1204
       CONTINUE
1104
       CONTINUE
1965
              DO 11104 I1=1,51
       WRITE(2,*)(D(I1,J1),J1=1,19)
       WRITE(3,*)(E(I1,J1),J1=1,19)
       WRITE(4,*)(D1(I1,J1),J1=1,19)
       WRITE(8,*)(E1(I1,J1),J1=1,19)
      CONTINUE
11104
       CLOSE(2)
       CLOSE(3)
       CLOSE(4)
       CLOSE(8)
       OPEN(UNIT = 2, FILE = 'FILE1.X', STATUS = 'UNKNOWN')
       OPEN(UNIT=3,FILE='FILE1.Y',STATUS='UNKNOWN')
       OPEN(UNIT = 4, FILE = 'FILE1.XX', STATUS = 'UNKNOWN')
       OPEN(UNIT = 5, FILE = 'FILE1.YY', STATUS = 'UNKNOWN')
       DO 324 I1 = 1,51,1
       READ(2,*)(D(I1,J1),J1=1,19)
324
       CONTINUE
       DO 325 I1 = 1,51,1
       DO 326 J1 = 1,19
       IF (D(I1,J1).GT.D(I1,JI+1))THEN
       GRAPH1(I1,J1) = '-'
       ENDIF
       IF (D(I1,J1).LT.D(I1,JI+1))THEN
       GRAPH1(I1,J1) = '+'
       ENDIF
       IF (D(I1,J1).EQ.D(I1,JI+1))THEN
       GRAPH1(I1,J1) = 
       ENDIF
326
       CONTINUE
325
       CONTINUE
       DO 328 I1 = 1,51,1
       READ(3,*)(D1(I1,J1),J1=1,19)
328
       CONTINUE
       DO 329 I1 = 1,51,1
       DO 330 J1 = 1,19
              IF (D1(I1,J1).GT.D1(I1,JI+1))THEN
       GRAPH2(I1,J1) = '-'
       ENDIF
       IF (D1(I1,J1).LT.D1(I1,JI+1))THEN
       GRAPH2(I1,J1) = '+'
       ENDIF
       IF (D1(I1,J1).EQ.D1(I1,JI+1))THEN
       GRAPH2(I1,J1) = ''
```

```
ENDIF
330
       CONTINUE
       CONTINUE
329
       DO 332 I1=1,51,1
       READ(4,*)(E(I1,J1),J1=1,19)
       CONTINUE
332
       DO 333 I1 = 1,51,1
       DO 334 J1=1,19
              IF (E(I1,J1).GT.E(I1,JI+1))THEN
       GRAPH3(I1,J1) = '-'
       ENDIF
       IF (E(I1,J1).LT.E(I1,JI+1))THEN
       GRAPH3(I1,J1) = '+'
       ENDIF
       IF (E(I1,J1).EQ.E(I1,JI+1))THEN
       GRAPH3(I1,J1) = ''
       ENDIF
334
       CONTINUE
333
       CONTINUE
       DO 336 I1=1,51,1
       READ(5,*)(E1(I1,J1),J1=1,19)
336
       CONTINUE
       DO 337 I1 = 1,51,1
       DO 338 J1 = 1,19
              IF (E1(I1,J1).GT.E1(I1,JI+1))THEN
       GRAPH4(I1,J1) = '-'
       ENDIF
       IF (E1(I1,J1).LT.E1(I1,JI+1))THEN
       GRAPH4(I1,J1) = '+'
       ENDIF
       IF (E1(I1,J1).EQ.E1(I1,JI+1))THEN
       GRAPH4(I1,J1) = '
       ENDIF
338
       CONTINUE
337
       CONTINUE
1324
       CONTINUE
       OPEN(UNIT=13,FILE='GRAPH.X',STATUS='UNKNOWN')
       OPEN(UNIT=14,FILE='GRAPH.Y',STATUS='UNKNOWN')
       OPEN(UNIT = 15, FILE = 'GRAPH.XX', STATUS = 'UNKNOWN')
       OPEN(UNIT = 16, FILE = 'GRAPH.YY', STATUS = 'UNKNOWN')
       DO 21104 I1 = 1,51,1
       WRITE(13,1234)(GRAPH1(I1,J1),J1=1,19)
       WRITE(14,1234)(GRAPH2(I1,J1),J1=1,19)
       WRITE(15,1234)(GRAPH3(I1,J1),J1=1,19)
       WRITE(16,1234)(GRAPH4(I1,J1),J1=1,19)
21104
       CONTINUE
1234
       FORMAT(30X,20A1)
       WRITE(*,21)
C
C
       GOTO 64
       END
```

## C\*\*\*\*PROGRAM RANGE SIGN MAP

C\*\*\*\*\* THIS PROGRAM GENERATES A SIGN MAP FOR DATA FILES BY TAKING C\*\*\*\*\* INTO CONSIDERATION THE ABSOLUTE DIFFERENCE IN RANGE VALUE C\*\*\*\*\* OF NEIGHBORING PIXELS.

**INTEGER\*2** A(0:511,0:512),D(100,100) INTEGER\*2 I1,J1,T1,P1,ZZ,XX CHARACTER\*12 INFILE1,INFILE2,INFILE3,POINT CHARACTER\*2 GRAPH1(100,100) WRITE(\*,20) 20 FORMAT(5X,'INPUT FILE NAME: INFILE1') READ(\*,\*)INFILE1 OPEN(UNIT=1, FILE=INFILE1, STATUS='UNKNOWN', RECL=2048) DO 100 I=1,511 READ(1,300)(A(I,J),J=1,512)100 CONTINUE 300 **FORMAT(512I4)** ZZ=1C XX = 1DO 43 I=165,215 XX=1DO 53 J=260,278 D(ZZ,XX) = A(I,J)C ZZ = ZZ + 1XX = XX + 1**CONTINUE** 53 C XX = 1ZZ = ZZ + 1C XX = 143 CONTINUE WRITE(\*,\*)XX,ZZ

C\*\*\*\* TEST FILE USED FOR THIS PROGRAM IS THAT OF THE CYLINDER C\*\*\*\* BELONGING TO SET A.

OPEN(UNIT = 2,FILE = 'RANGEVAL.DAT',STATUS = 'UNKNOWN')
OPEN(UNIT = 3,FILE = 'RANGEDIFF.DAT',STATUS = 'UNKNOWN')
OPEN(UNIT = 4,FILE = 'FILE1.XX',STATUS = 'UNKNOWN')

DO 325 I=1,ZZ-1 DO 326 J=1,XX-1 IF (D(I,J).GT.D(I,J+1))THEN GRAPH1(I,J) = '+' ENDIF IF (D(I,J).LT.D(I,J+1))THEN GRAPH1(I,J) = '-'

С

**ENDIF** IF (D(I,J).EQ.D(I,J+1))THENGRAPH1(I,J) =**ENDIF** 326 **CONTINUE** 325 **CONTINUE** DO 21104 I=1,ZZ-1 WRITE(3,1234)(GRAPH1(I,J),J=1,XX-1) WRITE(2,3000)(D(I,J),J=1,XX-1) 21104 CONTINÚE FORMAT(35X,20A1) FORMAT(I4) 1234 3000 **STOP** 

**END** 

## C\*\*\*\*PROGRAM BEST FIT COEFFICIENTS

```
THIS PROGRAM MAKES A PLOT USING THE COEFFICIENTS GENERATED
       FROM THE PROGRAM "SURFACE.FOR". AT EACH PIXEL OF A TEST
C****
       SURFACE PATCH, THE ERROR IS DETERMINED USING THE GENERATED
C****
       COEFFICIENTS OF THE ORIGINAL RANGE DATA, THE 3X3 RANGE IMAGE,
C****
       THE 5X5 RANGE IMAGE, AND THE 7X7 RANGE IMAGE. WHICHEVER
C****
       GIVES THE MINIMUM ERROR REPLACES THE PIXEL WITH THE NUMERAL
C****
       1, 3, 5, 7 WHEREEVER APPLICABLE.
       REAL
                    A(5000,3),B(5000,3),C(5000,3),D(5000),H(5000,3)
       REAL
                    E(5000),F(5000),P(5000)
       INTEGER
                    G(5000),PLOT(100,100)
       TEST FILE IN THE PROGRAM ARE THE RANGE IMAGES OF THE
       CYLINDER BELINGING TO GROUP A.
       OPEN(UNIT = 1,FILE = 'CYRAW1.PLT'.STATUS = 'UNKNOWN')
       OPEN(UNIT=2,FILE='CYRAWME1.PLT',STATUS='UNKNOWN')
       OPEN(UNIT=3,FILE='CYRAW51.PLT',STATUS='UNKNOWN')
       OPEN(UNIT = 4,FILE = 'CYRAW31.PLT',STATUS = 'UNKNOWN')
       OPEN(UNIT = 8, FILE = 'CYLINDE2.PLT', STATUS = 'UNKNOWN')
       DO 10 I = 1.969
       READ(1,*)(A(I,J),J=1,3)
10
       CONTINUE
       DO 40 I=1,969
C
       DO 50 J = 1.3
       D(I) = (0.15555*A(I,1)*A(I,1)) + (.23538*A(I,2)*A(I,2)) +
      (0.8288*A(I,3)*A(I,3))-(0.6818*A(I,2)*A(I,3))+
      (0.03703*A(I,1)*A(I,3)) + (0.021725*A(I,1)*A(I,2))
      (0.2105*A(I,1))+(0.58230*A(I,2))-
      (1.317142*A(I,3))+(0.568190)
40
       CONTINUE
       DO 20 I=1.969
       READ(2,*)(B(I,J),J=1,3)
20
       CONTINUE
       DO 50 I=1,969
C
       DO 50 J = 1.3
       E(I) = (0.15323*B(I,1)*B(I,1))-(.09952*B(I,2)*B(I,2))-
      (0.48895*B(I,3)*B(I,3)) + (0.47678*B(I,2)*B(I,3)) +
      (1.00862*B(I,1)*B(I,3))-(0.4587431*B(I,1)*B(I,2))-
      (1.006533*B(I,1))-(0.23286*B(I,2))+
      (0.473445*B(I,3))-(0.013768)
50
       CONTINUE
       DO 30 I=1,969
       READ(3,*)(C(I,J),J=1,3)
30
       CONTINUE
       DO 60 I=1,969
C
      DO 50 J=1,3
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F(I) = (0.054338*C(I,1)*C(I,1)) + (.099206*C(I,2)*C(I,2)) +
       (0.2060992*C(I,3)*C(I,3))-(0.110936*C(I,2)*C(I,3))+
       (1.265334*C(Ì,1)*C(Ì,3))-(0.525433*C(Ì,1)*C(Ì,2))-
       (1.18586 * C(I,1)) + (0.303930 * C(I,2))
       (0.7311586 * C(I,3)) + (0.5089003)
60
       CONTINUE
       DO 301 I=1,969
       READ(4,*)(H(I,J),J=1,3)
301
       CONTINUE
       DO 602 I=1,969
C
       DO 50 J = 1,3
       P(I) = (0.26766*H(I,1)*H(I,1)) + (.193015*H(I,2)*H(I,2)) +
       (0.7483451*H(I,3)*H(I,3))-(0.548105*H(I,2)*H(I,3))+
       (0.548105*H(I,1)*H(I,3))-(0.246619*H(I,1)*H(I,2))-
       (0.751541*H(I,1))+(0.5662742*H(I,2))-
       (1.360964*H(I,3))+(0.6880789)
       CONTINUE
602
       DO 90 I=1,969
       IF((D(I).LT.E(I)).AND.(D(I).LT.F(I)).AND.
       (D(I).LT.P(I)))THEN
       G(I)=1
       ENDIF
C
       ENDIF
       IF((E(I).LT.D(I)).AND.(E(I).LT.F(I)).AND.
       (E(I).LT.P(I)))THEN
       G(I) = 7
       ENDIF
       IF((F(I).LT.E(I)).AND.(F(I).LT.D(I)).AND.
       (F(I).LT.P(I)))THEN
       G(I) = 5
       ENDIF
       ELSE
       ENDIF
       IF((P(I).LT.E(I)).AND.(P(I).LT.D(I)).AND.
       (P(I).LT.F(I)))THEN
       G(I) = 3
       ENDIF
       ELSE
C
C
       ENDIF
               IF((D(I).EQ.E(I)).AND.(D(I).EQ.F(I)))THEN
       G(I) = 9
       ENDIF
       IF((D(I).LT.F(I)).AND.(E(I).LT.F(I)))THEN
       IF(D(I).EQ.E(I))THEN
       G(I) = 4
       ENDIF
       ENDIF
       IF((D(I).LT.E(I)).AND.(F(I).LT.E(I)))THEN
       IF(D(I).EQ.F(I))THEN
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G(I) = 6
       ENDIF
       ENDIF
       IF((F(I).LT.D(I)).AND.(E(I).LT.D(I)))THEN IF(F(I).EQ.E(I))THEN
       G(I)=8
       ENDIF
       ENDIF
90
       CONTINUE
       DO 1000 I=1,51
       DO 2000 J=1,19
       PLOT(I,J) = G(J+19*(I-1))
2000
       CONTINUE
1000
       CONTINUE
       DO 3000 I=1,51
       DO 4000 J=1,42
C
       WRITE(8,5000)(PLOT(I,J),J=1,19)
3000
       CONTINUE
5000
       format(20x,19i1)
       stop
       end
```

Best fit plot obtained for the cylinder belonging to set A. Numerals "1, 3, 5, 7" denote the original image, the  $3 \times 3$  image, the  $5 \times 5$  image, and the  $7 \times 7$  image respectively.

Best fit plot for the sphere belonging to set B. Numerals "3, 5" denote the filtered  $3 \times 3$  and  $5 \times 5$  images of the original sphere.

Best fit plot for the cylinder belonging to set B. Numerals "1, 3, 5" denote the original cylinder image, the 3 x 3 image, and the 5 x 5 image.

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C***** PROGRAM SURFACE
C
      THIS PROGRAM APPROXIMATES THE COEFFICIENTS OF A SURFACE
C GENERATED BY GIVEN DATA POINTS. THE INPUT FILE IS 'DATA.DAT'
C CONSISTING OF COORDINATES OF POINTS ON SOME SURFACE.
C
C
    INTEGER I,J,K,IP
    REAL X(9000), Y(9000), Z(9000), X 2(9000)
    REAL Y 2(9000),Z 2(9000),P(9000,10)
    REAL YZ(9000),ZX(9000),XY(9000),P_PTR(9000,10,10),SC(10,10)
    REAL A(4,4),B(6,4),B TR(4,6),C(6,6),H(6,6),H INV(6,6)
REAL RIS(4,8),A_INV(4,4),BA_INV(6,4),BA_INVBT(6,6),M(6,6)
    REAL H_INVM(6,6),M_PR(6,6),AI(6,6),BI(6,6),CI(6,6)
    REAL EIGVAL(6,6), EIGVEC(6,6), EI VEC(6), A INVBT(4,6)
    REAL ALPHA(4), BETA(6), A VECT(10)
    CHARACTER*18 INFILE OUTFILE
    TYPE*,' ENTER COORDINATES FILE:'
    ACCEPT*, INFILE
    TYPE*,' ENTER OUTPUT COEFFICIENTS FILE:'
    ACCEPT*, OUTFILE
    OPEN(UNIT=1,FILE=INFILE,STATUS='OLD')
    OPEN(UNIT=2,FILE=OUTFILE,STATUS='NEW')
C****** THE CONSTRAINT MATRIX H AND H INV IS CREATED ********
    WRITE(*,3)
    FORMAT(5X,'INPUT TOTAL POINTS NOT EXCEEDING 7750: IP=')
    READ(*,*) IP
    ROOT = 1/(SQRT(2.))
     DO 24 I = 1.6
      DO 26 J = 1,6
        H(I,J)=0
26
       CONTINUE
24
      CONTINUE
    H(1,1)=1
    H(2,2)=1
    H(3,3)=1
    H(4,4) = ROOT
    H(5,5) = ROOT
    H(6,6) = ROOT
\mathbf{C}
    ROOT1 = SQRT(2.)
     DO 20 I=1.6
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DO 22 J=1,6 H\_INV(I,J)=0 CONTINUE

CONTINUE H\_INV(1,1) = 1 H\_INV(2,2) = 1 H\_INV(3,3) = 1

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H INV(4,4) = ROOT1
    H^{-}INV(5,5) = ROOT1
    H^{-}INV(6,6) = ROOT1
DO 30 I=1,IP
       READ(1,*)(X(I),Y(I),Z(I))
30
      CONTINUE
C ****** THE VECTOR P FOR SCATTER MATRIX IS FORMED HERE *****
     DO 32 I=1,IP
       X_2(I) = X(I)^{**}2
       Y^2(I) = Y(I)^{**2}
       Z^{-}2(I) = Z(I)^{**}2
       Y\overline{Z}(I) = Y(I)^*Z(I)
       ZX(I) = Z(I) * X(I)
       XY(I) = X(I) * Y(I)
32
      CONTINUE
     DO 34 I=1,IP
       P(I,1) = X 2(I)
      P(I,2) = Y_{2}(I)

P(I,3) = Z_{2}(I)
       P(I,4) = Y\overline{Z}(I)
       P(I,5) = ZX(I)
       P(I,6) = XY(I)
       P(I,7) = X(I)
       P(I,8) = Y(I)
       P(I,9) = Z(I)
      P(I,10) = 1
34
      CONTINUE
     DO 36 I=1,IP
      DO 38 J = 1.10
        DO 40 K = 1.10
         P PTR(I,J,K) = P(I,J) * P(I,K)
40
         CONTINUE
38
       CONTINUE
36
      CONTINUE
     DO 42 J=1,10
      DO 44 K=1,10
        SC(J,K)=0
44
       CONTINUE
42
      CONTINUE
C**** THE SCATTER MATRIX IS FORMED HERE
     DO 46 J = 1.10
      DO 48 K=1,10
        DO 50 I=1,IP
         SC(J,K) = SC(J,K) + P PTR(I,J,K)
50
        CONTINUE
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48
      CONTINUE
     CONTINUE
46
C****** THE SCATTER MATRIX SC IS DECOMPOSED INTO A,B,B_TR,C **
     DO 52 I = 1,6
      DO 54 J=1,6
       C(I,J) = SC(I,J)
54
      CONTINUE
52
     CONTINUE
     DO 56 I=1.6
      DO 58 J = 1,4
       B(I,J) = SC(I,J+6)
58
      CONTINUE
56
     CONTINUE
     DO 60 I = 1,4
      DO 62 J = 1,6
       B TR(I,J) = SC(I+6,J)
      CONTINUE
62
60
     CONTINUE
     DO 64 I=1,4
      DO 66 J = 1.4
       A(I,J) = SC(I+6,J+6)
66
      CONTINUE
64
     CONTINUE
     DO 68 I=1,4
      DO 70 J = 1.4
       RIS(I,J) = A(I,J)
70
      CONTINUE
     CONTINUE
   CALL INVERS(RIS,4,4,8)
     DO 72 I=1,4
      DO 74 J = 1,4
       A INV(I,J) = RIS(I,J)
74
      CONTINUE
72
     CONTINUE
        C
     DO 76 I=1,6
      DO 78 J = 1.4
        BA INV(I,J)=0
78
      CONTINUE
76
     CONTINUE
     DO 80 I=1,6
      DO 82 J=1,4
       DO 84 K=1,4
         BA_INV(I,J) = BA_INV(I,J) + B(I,K)*A_INV(K,J)
84
        CONTINUE
82
      CONTINUE
80
     CONTINUE
     DO 86 I=1,6
      DO 88 J = 1.6
        BA_INVBT(I,J)=0
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88
      CONTINUE
86
     CONTINUE
    DO 90 I=1,6
      DO 92 J = 1.6
       DO 94 K=1,4
         BA_INVBT(I,J) = BA_INVBT(I,J) + BA_INV(I,K)*B_TR(K,J)
94
        CONTINUE
92
      CONTINUE
90
     CONTINUE
     DO 96 I=1,6
      DO 98 J = 1.6
        M(I,J) = C(I,J)-BA INVBT(I,J)
98
      CONTINUE
96
     CONTINUE
\mathbf{C}
  C
    DO 100 I=1,6
      DO 102 J=1,6
       H INVM(I,J) = 0
102
      CONTINUE
100
     CONTINUE
    DO 104 I=1,6
      DO 106 J = 1.6
       DO 108 K = 1.6
         H_INVM(I,J) = H_INVM(I,J) + H_INV(I,K) *M(K,J)
108
        CONTINUE
106
      CONTINUE
     CONTINUE
104
    DO 110 I=1,6
      DO 112 J=1,6
       M PR(I,J)=0
112
      CONTINUE
110
     CONTINUE
    DO 114 I=1,6
      DO 116 J=1,6
       DO 118 K=1,6
         M_PR(I,J) = M_PR(I,J) + H_INVM(I,K) + H_INV(K,J)
118
        CONTINUE
116
      CONTINUE
     CONTINUE
114
C
C
  ******* NOW TO FIND THE EIGEN VALUES OF M' *********
C
   ND=6
   CALL EIG(ND,M_PR,EIGVAL,EIGVEC)
C ****** TO FIND THE SMALLEST EIGEN VALUE AND ITS CORRESPONDING **
C ****** EIGEN VECTOR
C
   S EIG=EIGVAL(1,1)
   KOUNT=1
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DO 120 I=2,6
       IF (S EIG.GT.EIGVAL(I,I)) THEN
         S EIG=EIGVAL(I,I)
         KOUNT=I
       ENDIF
       CONTINUE
120
      DO 122 I=1,6
       EI VEC(I) = EIGVEC(I, KOUNT)
       CONTINUE
122
      DO 124 I=1,6
       BETA(I) = 0
        DO 126 J = 1.6
          BETA(I) = BETA(I) + H INV(I,J) *EI VEC(J)
126
         CONTINUE
       CONTINUE
124
      DO 128 I=1,4
       DO 130 J=1,6
         A INVBT(I,J)=0
         DO 132 K = 1,4
            A INVBT(I,J) = A INVBT(I,J) + A INV(I,K)*B TR(K,J)
          CONTINUE
132
130
         CONTINUE
       CONTINUE
128
      DO 134 I=1,4
        ALPHA(I)=0
        DO 136 J = 1.6
         ALPHA(I) = ALPHA(I) + A_INVBT(I,J)*BETA(J)
136
         CONTINUE
        ALPHA(I) = -ALPHA(I)
134
       CONTINUE
      DO 138 I=1,6
        A VECT(I) = BETA(I)
138
       CONTINUE
      DO 140 I=1,4
        A VECT(I+6) = ALPHA(I)
140
       CONTINUE
        DO 142 I=1,10
        WRITE(2,*) (' THE INPUT FILE WAS "',INFILE,"")
        WRITE(2,*) ('THE OUTPUT FILE IS "',OUTFILE,'"')
        WRITE(2,*) ('THE COEFF OF X-SQUARED IS ',A_VECT(1))
WRITE(2,*) ('THE COEFF OF Y-SQUARED IS ',A_VECT(2))
WRITE(2,*) ('THE COEFF OF Z-SQUARED IS ',A_VECT(3))
WRITE(2,*) ('THE COEFF OF ZX IS ',A_VECT(4))
WRITE(2,*) ('THE COEFF OF ZX IS ',A_VECT(5))
                                                   IS ',A_VECT(5))
IS ',A_VECT(6))
IS ',A_VECT(7))
IS ',A_VECT(8))
IS ',A_VECT(9))
        WRITE(2,*) ('THE COEFF OF
                                            XY
        WRITE(2,*) ('THE COEFF OF
                                             Х
        WRITE(2,*) ('THE COEFF OF
                                             Y
        WRITE(2,*) ('THE COEFF OF
                                             Z
        WRITE(2,*) ('THE CONSTANT
                                            D
                                                    IS ',A_VECT(10))
         CONTINUE
C142
     CLOSE(UNIT = 2,DISPOSE = 'SAVE')
     CLOSE(UNIT = 1,DISPOSE = 'SAVE')
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CC
    SUBROUTINE INVERS(RIS,N,NX,MX)
    DIMENSION RIS(NX,MX)
    N1 = N-1
    N2 = 2*N
     DO 2 I=1,N
       DO 1 J = 1,N
        J1 = J + N
       RIS(I,J1)=0.
      J1 = I + N
2
      RIS(I,J1) = 1.
     DO 10 K=1,N1
      C = RIS(K,K)
      IF (ABS(C)-0.000001) 3,3,5
5
        K1 = K + 1
         DO 6 J = K1, N2
6
           RIS(K,J) = RIS(K,J)/C
     DO 10 I=K1,N
      C = RIS(I,K)
     DO 10 J = K1, N2
      RIS(I,J) = RIS(I,J)-C*RIS(K,J)
10
      CONTINUE
    NP1 = N + 1
    IF (ABS(RIS(N,N))-0.000001) 3,3,19
19
      DO 20 J=NP1,N2
20
      RIS(N,J) = RIS(N,J)/RIS(N,N)
     DO 200 L=1,N1
      K = N-L
      K1 = K + 1
     DO 200 I=NP1,N2
     DO 200 J=K1,N
200
      RIS(K,I) = RIS(K,I) - RIS(K,J) + RIS(J,I)
     DO 250 I=1,N
     DO 250 J=1,N
      J1=J+N
250
      RIS(I,J) = RIS(I,J1)
    RETURN
3
    TYPE*,'SINGULARITY IN ROW FOUND'
    RETURN
    END
    SUBROUTINE EIG(ND,AI,BI,CI)
    DIMENSION AI(ND,ND),BI(ND,ND),CI(ND,ND)
    INTEGER N1,M1,N2,M2
    N1 = ND
    M1 = ND
    N2 = ND
   M2 = ND
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**END** 

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ANORM = 0.0
     SN = FLOAT(N2)
       DO 100 I=1,N2
         DO 101 J=1,N2
          IF (I-J) 72,71,72
71
             BI(I,J) = 1.0
            GOTO 101
72
             BI(I,J) = 0.0
            ANORM = ANORM + AI(I,J)*AI(I,J)
101
          CONTINUE
100
        CONTINUE
     ANORM = SQRT(ANORM)
     FNORM = ANORM*(1.0E-09/SN)
     THR = ANORM
23
      THR = THR/SN
      IND=0
       DO 102 I=2,N2
        I1 = I-1
         DO 103 J = 1,I1
          IF (ABS(AI(J,I))-THR) 103,4,4
            IND=1
           AL = -AI(J,I)
           AM = (AI(J,J)-AI(I,I))/2.0
           AO = AL/SQRT((AL*AL) + (AM*AM))
             IF (AM) 5,6,6
5
              AO = -AO
6
              SINX = AO/SQRT(2.0*(1.0+SQRT(1.0-AO*AO)))
              SINX2=SINX*SINX
              COSX = SQRT(1.0-SINX2)
              COSX2=COSX*COSX
           DO 104 K = 1,N2
            IF (K-J) 7,10,7
7
              IF (K-I) 8,10,8
8
               AT = AI(KJ)
               AI(K,J)=AT*COSX-AI(K,I)*SINX
               AI(K,I) = AT*SINX + AI(K,I)*COSX
               BT = BI(K,J)
10
               BI(K,J) = BT*COSX-BI(K,I)*SINX
               BI(K,I) = BT*SINX + BI(K,I)*COSX
104
           CONTINUE
          XT = 2.0*AI(J,I)*SINX*COSX
          AT = AI(J,J)
          BT = AI(I,I)
          AI(J_{*}J) = AT^{*}COSX2 + BT^{*}SINX2 - XT
          AI(I,I) = AT*SINX2 + BT*COSX2 + XT
          AI(J,I) = (AT-BT)*SINX*COSX+AI(J,I)*(COSX2-SINX2)
          AI(I,J) = AI(J,I)
           DO 105 K=1,N2
            AI(J,K) = AI(K,J)
            AI(I,K) = AI(K,I)
105
           CONTINUE
103
         CONTINUE
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102
         CONTINUE
      IF (IND) 20,20,3
 20
        IF (THR-FNORM) 25,25,23
 25
          DO 110 I=2,N2
           J = I
           IF ((ABS(AI(J-1,J-1)))-(ABS(AI(J,J)))) 30,110,110
29
30
             A\ddot{T} = AI(J-1,J-1)
            AI(J-1,J-1) = AI(J,J)
            AI(J,J) = AT
             DO 111 K=1,N2
               AT = BI(K,J-1)
               BI(K,J-1) = BI(K,J)
               BI(K,J) = AT
111
              CONTÍNUE
          J = J-1
          IF (J-1) 110,110,29
110
          CONTINUE
         DO 112 I=1,N2
          DO 114 J=1,N2
            CI(I,J) = BI(I,J)
            BI(I,J) = AI(I,J)
114
           CONTINUE
112
         CONTINUE
      RETURN
        END
C
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